



GREATER ESSEX COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Agenda

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

Board Committee Room

1:00 PM

Please notify Chairperson Kim McKinley or Melissa Beaton in advance if accommodations are required.

1. Call to Order

2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands and Water

We acknowledge that we are on land and surrounded by water, originally inhabited by Indigenous Peoples who have travelled this area since time immemorial. This territory is within the lands honoured by the Wampum Treaties; agreements between the Anishinaabe (Ah-nish-e-naa-bay), Haudenosaunee (Hoe-den-oh-show-nee), Lenni (Len-eh) Lenape (Lenaw-pay) and allied Nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. Specifically, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Huron/Wendat (Wendat) Peoples and the Three Fires Confederacy Ojibwe (Oh-jib-way), Odawa (Oh-dah-wah), Potawatomi (Paw-taw-watt-ohme). We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture while remaining committed to moving forward respectfully with all First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

3. Attendance

4. Approval of Agenda

Action

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That SEAC approve the agenda of the SEAC meeting of September 9, 2026.

5. Declaration of conflict of interest

6. Approval of Minutes

Action

RECOMMENDED ACTION

That SEAC approve the minutes of the SEAC meeting of June 10, 2026.

7. Business Arising as a Result of the Minutes

8. Special Education Presentation

Information

- Introduction of Special Education Supervisory Team – C. Mills
- Roles and Responsibilities of SEAC – C. Mills
- Special Education Advisory Committee Handbook – C. Mills
- Multi-year Strategic Plan – C. Mills
- Special Education 1 Year Plan – C. Mills

- Department Name Considerations – C. Mills

9. Special Education Updates

Information

- Professional Development – J. Burgon
- Special Education events/dates
 - Deaf Awareness Month
 - International Week of the Deaf – September 20 – 26, 2026
 - International Day of Sign Language – September 23, 2026
 - Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Awareness Day – September 9, 2026

10. Items for Future Agendas

11. Association Reports

Information

12. Distribution

- Halton District School Board – Special Education Funding

13. Adjournment



NEXT MEETING, October 14, 2026

Board Meeting Minutes available on [GECDSB website](#).

Vicki Houston, Chief Executive Officer

Chris Mills, Administrative Liaison

Kim McKinley, SEAC Chairperson

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